

**REMARKS**

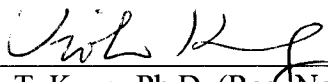
In the Decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences dated February 27, 2008, this application has been accorded the priority benefit of November 18, 1993. This amendment amends the priority claims such that they are consistent with the Decision.

Applicants have also noticed that in the Amendment submitted on March 21, 2003, the sentence "which is a continuation-in-part of 08/227,371 filed 04/14/94" was inadvertently omitted in both marked-up version and clean version in the amendment in the specification. This sentence was never deleted by any prior amendments. Therefore, Applicants are including this sentence in the Amendment submitted herewith.

No new matter is added in any of the above amendments. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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